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E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: CGEN, PFOR, CH

SUBJ: PRC PROPOSAL ON HANDLING OF CONSULAR MATTERS

REF: STATE 097490

1. MFA CONSULAR OFFICE DEPUTY DIRECTOR T' IEN P' ING (3944, 1627) REQUESTED HOLDRIDGE CALL JUNE 14 TO DISCUSS HANDLING OF CONSULAR MATTERS BY USLO AND PRCLC. REFERRING TO QUESTIONS SULLIVAN RAISED WITH HAN HSU MAY 16 (REFTEL), T' IEN OPINED THAT THE EXPECTED INCREASE IN VISITS AND EXCHANGES BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES WOULD INEVITABLY STIMULATE DEMAND FOR FULL RANGE OF CONSULAR SERVICES, INCLUDING PASSPORTS, VISAS, NOTARIALS, AND PROTECTION OF NATIONALS. T' IEN PROPOSED THAT EACH LIAISON OFFICE, BY EXCHANGE OF NOTES, NOMINATE ONE OF ITS OFFICERS TO BE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUCH SERVICES. THIS OFFICER WOULD NOT BE A FULL- TIME CONSULAR OFFICER BUT WOULD HANDLE WORK IN THIS FIELD IN ADDITION TO HIS OTHER DUTIES. NEITHER GOVERNMENT WOULD DEFINE CONSULAR DISTRICTS, BUT THE DESIGNATED OFFICER COULD APPLY TO MFA OR THE DEPARTMENT FOR PERMISSION TO TRAVEL WHEREVER NECESSARY TO PERFORM HIS CONSULAR FUNCTIONS.

2. T' IEN EMPHASIZED THAT HIS PROPOSAL, IF ACCEPTED, SHOULD BE THE BASIS OF A VERBAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR GOVERNMENTS. HE POINTED OUT THAT OFFICERS NOMINATED TO PERFORM CONSULAR FUNCTIONS WOULD NOT HAVE CONSULAR RANK OR TITLES. HE INDICATED HE SAW NO DIFFICULTY IN DESIGNATING ALTERNATES TO REPLACE OFFICER

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PRINCIPALLY INVOLVED SHOULD HE NOT BE AVAILABLE.

3. THIS APPEARS TO BE MOST FORTHCOMING RESPONSE WHICH WE BELIEVE PROVIDES SOLUTION TO PROBLEM PARA 2 REFTEL.

4. TEXT OF NOTE MIGHT BE AS FOLLOWS: (COMPLIMENTARY OPENING)
AND HAS THE HONOR TO INFORM THE MINISTRY THAT (NAME) IS
APPOINTED AS THE OFFICIAL OF THE LIAISON OFFICE TO ISSUE VISAS AND
PASSPORTS, TO PERFORM NOTARIAL ACTS, AND SUCH OTHER SERVICES OF A
CONSULAR NATURE AS THE LIAISON OFFICE REQUIRES. IN (NAME) ABSENCE,
(NAME) IS APPOINTED TO PERFORM HIS DUTIES. (COMPLIMENTARY CLOSE).

5. REQUEST DEPARTMENT' S AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED IN
ACCORDANCE WITH T' IEN P' ING' S PROPOSAL.
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